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To Whom It May Concern,

I agree with propose Senate Bill 59 : All members of the DEEP Hazardous Material Response Division should be equally eligible for hazardous duty provision of the pension. I have been involved with the Fire Service for over forty years and have been a Fire Chief for thirty years of a combination Fire Department. I have responded to numerous extremely hazardous incidents with DEEP HAZ-MAT over the last forty years. Some of these responses do require the response of Branch Managers.

The Branch Manager response to scene is usually due to the condition that exist is more hazardous and require their experience and knowledge to bring the incident to successful conclusion.

Therefore everyone who responds should be entitling to the same benefits that all hazardous duties responder receive.

Respectfully,

Charles E. Herrschaft Jr.

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Chief of Department

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